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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel all of the claims in this application and replace by the following new claims

40 (New). A pharmaceutical composition comprising an acyl derivative of uridine having the formula (I)